SEC. 2. That this resolution shall take effect from its When to take ratification.

Ratified the 14th day of February, 1873.

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE GOVERNOR AND TREASURER IN CERTAIN MATTERS CONNECTED WITH THE WESTERN NORTH CAROLINA RAILROAD COMPANY.

Resolved by the Senate, the House of Representatives con- Governor to pray curring, That the Governor of North Carolina be authorized and directed in his individual name and that of such others as may unite with him, to pray an appeal from the decree of the Circuit Court of the United States for the Western District of North Carolina, rendered at the last term thereof, in the case of Henry Clews and another or others, plaintiffs, against the Western North Carolina Railroad Company and others, defendants, and to prosecute such an appeal to a final issue, and to insti- To institute a tute a new suit or suits, and to take any other or further new suit. proceedings in the premises as he may be advised, in the name of the State or of himself, or any other person or persons on its behalf, separately or together, for the security and protection of the interest of the State in said company; and that in aid of such proceedings, and necessary thereto, the Public Treasurer be further authorized and directed to give such bond or bonds, with or without Togive bond. sureties, as may be required, in the name of the State or of such others in whose name such suit or suits may be brought, or such proceedings be had on behalf of the State, and to be binding on the State, and any sum that may be adjudged to be paid by the State or the person or state to pay costs, etc. persons prosecuting said suit, suits or other proceedings on its behalf and for its benefit, or liable on such bond or